GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS ALLOCATED TO AYUSH
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated for the programmes under AYUSH in the budget 2008-09;

(b) the funds earmarked during the year 2007-08 and utilized therefrom; and

(c) the reasons for non-utilization of the funds allocated so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) The funds allocated for AYUSH programme for year 2008-09 are as under:-

(Rs. in Crores)

Plan	Non-Plan	Total
534	89	623

(b) The funds allocated during the year 2007-08 and utilized till 31st March, 2008 are as under:-

(Rs. in Crores)

	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
BE 2007-08	488.00	75.88	563.88
Funds utilized 2007-08	382.45	75.99	458.44

(the figures are provisional)

(c) The reasons for non-utilization of funds are as under:

2007-08 was the first year of the eleventh Plan and hence administrative approvals for new and revised schemes had to be taken. Low expenditure in first two quarters due to time taken in sanctioning of revised and new schemes which led to reduction in revised estimates.

The funds earmarked for educational institution viz. National Institute of Ayurveda,Jaipur and National Institute of Homoeopathy,Kolkata could not be utilized as the expansion of infrastructure and staff required for the implementation of OBC was put on hold in financial year 2007-08.